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**RE: Duke Energy Progress, LLC Request for Waiver of Annual Cost of Service Studies Filing Requirement
Docket No. E-2, Sub 1142**

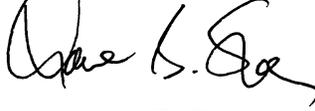
Dear Ms. Jarvis:

Pursuant to the Commission's February 23, 2018 *Order Accepting Stipulation, Deciding Contested Issues and Granting Partial Rate Increase*, Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP") is required to file per-book cost of service studies based on the Single Summer Coincident Peak and Summer-Winter Peak and Average Energy methodologies annually. To comply with this requirement, DEP must file these cost of service studies by April 30, 2019. However, DEP is in the process of preparing an application for general rate case which will be filed sometime before the end of the year. As part of this application, DEP will submit then-current cost of service studies.

Rather than file cost of service studies in April and again at some point before the end of this calendar year, DEP requests a waiver of the requirement to file the annual cost of service studies this April. The studies that will be submitted with the general rate case application will serve as the cost of service studies required by the February 23, 2018 Order. Granting this waiver will avoid the unnecessary costs and expense of preparing and filing two studies within a short period of time. DEP has had discussions with the Public Staff regarding this matter, and the Public Staff does not object to this requested waiver. As such, DEP believes good cause exists for granting the relief requested herein.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lawrence B. Somers". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Lawrence B. Somers

cc: Parties of Record

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of Duke Energy Progress, LLC's Request for Waiver of Annual Cost of Service Studies Filing Requirement, in Docket No. E-2, Sub 1142, has been served by hand delivery, depositing a copy in the United States Mail, first class postage prepaid, or by electronic mail, properly addressed to the following parties of record:

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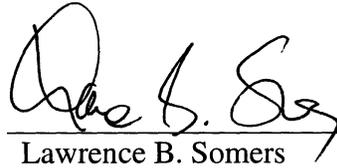
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